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Morning translation

Shun Pao and other local newspapers

French Authorities to restrict the Activities of  
Loafers in Factories

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Local loafers often demand money from factory owners. The Chamber of Commerce has sent letters to the Settlement and the Concession Authorities requesting them to restrict the activities of the loafers.

The Chamber recently received a reply from the French Municipal Council stating that the French Municipal Police have already been instructed to take action in accordance with the request.

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Morning translation

Sin Wen Pao and other local newspapers:

LOAFERS DEMAND MONEY FROM BUILDING CONTRACTORS

Yesterday the Chinese Chamber of Commerce sent the following letter to the Bureau of Public Safety on the subject of loafers demanding money from building contractors:

"Some time ago, the Shanghai Building Contractors Association requested that loafers be prohibited from demanding money from building contractors.

"On April 25, we received an official letter from you state that you has given instructions to your subordinates to prevent loafers from demanding money from building contractors.

"We are now in receipt of another letter from the Contractors Association asking that an order to the above effect be displayed outside every construction location. This procedure was established by a former Commissioner of the Shanghai-Woosung Constabulary, in the 9th Year of the Republic of China.

"We are now transmitting to you a copy of the order issued by the Commissioner with a request that a similar order be issued."

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REPORT

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Subject (in full) Chinese Chamber of Commerce - requests prohibition  
of extortion by loafers.

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On April 1, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce wrote letters to the Bureau of Public Safety, the Shanghai Municipal Council and the French Municipal Council, requesting them to prohibit the customary extortion by loafers when work is commenced on any building or construction. The letter stated that police constables as a rule do not interfere with such unlawful action and in some cases even secretly side with the loafers.

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Morning translation

Shun Pao and other local newspapers:-

Loafers Intimidate Factory Owners

The Chamber of Commerce yesterday sent the following letter to the Bureau of Public Safety, the S.M.C. and the French Municipal Council:-

"On March 31, this Chamber received a letter from the Manufacturing Trade Association stating that loafers in Chinese controlled territory and the Settlements demand certain fees from the factories when they commence operations. If these fees are not paid, they intimidate the factory owners and steal goods from the factories. The policemen not only refuse to stop the activities of the loafers but also secretly protest them. We hereby request you to take action against the loafers".

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